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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2007 5:32 PM  
**To:** Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Leschper; Mary C (GOV)  
**Cc:** Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR)  
**Subject:** Re: AK Chamber Speech

Shoot - I hadn't seen your changes before I rewrote it this afternoon off of Beth's draft.

I'm going to have to go back over it to see what was missed...

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

**Date:** Mon, 10 Sep 2007 12:05:01

**To:** "Leschper, Mary C (GOV)" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>, ExternalEmailgsp  
<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

**Cc:** "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)"  
<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

**Subject:** RE: AK Chamber Speech

Here's my suggestions. Per my discussion this morning with Beth, Privileged or Personal N

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. Let me know what you

think.

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**From:** Leschper, Mary C (GOV)

**Sent:** Sunday, September 09, 2007 10:32 PM

**To:** ExternalEmailgsp

**Cc:** Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W

(GOV)

Subject: AK Chamber Speech

Wednesday, Sept. 12 @ 9:45 a.m.

Keynote Address (10 minutes - 1544 words)

Alaska Chamber of Commerce Conference

Captain Cook Hotel (Mid-Aft Deck, Main Level)

#### Background

9:15-9:45 a.m. Official Welcome (Chamber Chair Wendy Lindskoog with the Alaska Railroad Commission, BP VP/External Affairs Phil Cochrane and Anchorage Mayor Mark Begich)

You are scheduled to begin at 9:45 a.m.

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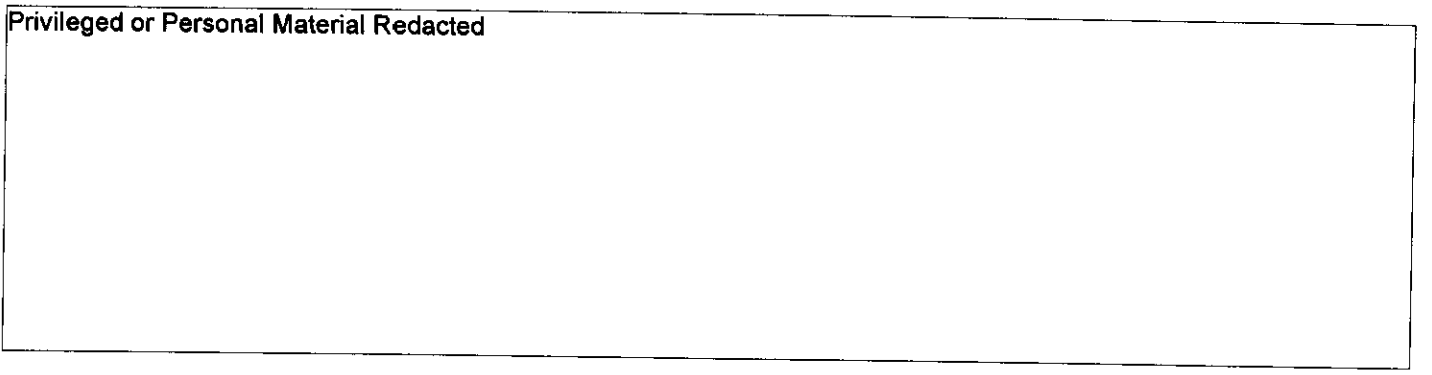


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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2007 5:20 PM  
**To:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: MOU Signing - Tues., 09.11

Got 'em. Thanks!

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**From:** "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

**Date:** Mon, 10 Sep 2007 16:55:39

**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com

**Subject:** MOU Signing - Tues., 09.11

Governor -

I just faxed up one of the copies of the letter on the phone wire. Both letters were the same, just addressed to different support staff.

Here is the attached MOU. I will also cut and paste into the body of this email in case it won't open on the blackberry. I have listed it on your calendar as FYI just in case you do decide to stop by for it. Thank you, Janice

### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

Alaska Veterans Affairs (VA) Healthcare System and Regional Office (AVAHSRO)

Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Anchorage Regional Office

and

The Alaska Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (DMVA)

I. Purpose: The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to define the mutually agreed upon requirements, expectations and obligations of the Alaska State Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (DMVA), the Alaska Veterans Affairs Healthcare System and Regional Office (AVAHSRO), and the Alaska Veterans Benefits Administration

(VBA) in responding to the needs of our Veteran reservists as they return from combat. The growing number of Veterans returning to rural Alaska from mobilizations in support of the Global War on Terrorism (GWOT) necessitates a comprehensive and practical approach towards improving access to the full spectrum of Veteran benefits with an emphasis on healthcare. It is recognized that a combined effort will augment the ongoing, comprehensive effort to ensure military service members and their families are honored for their valuable and honorable service to our country.

II. General Provisions: It is recognized that the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs are providing world-class transition service to military members returning from GWOT mobilizations in dealing with the multitude of medical and psychological conditions associated with war. This agreement will focus primarily on ensuring Veteran reservists who served on active duty in combat locations will have access to a broad range of VA benefits, to include healthcare services for 2 years after leaving active duty.

III. Specific Goals:

Goal 1: Seamless Delivery of Healthcare Services to Rural Veterans

Goal 2: Home Station Reunion and Reintegration Workshop for Returning GWOT Veterans to include Post Deployment Health Reassessments

Goal 3: Multidisciplinary Mobile Outreach Teams

Goal 4: Commit to meet regularly to address and work issues.

Goal 1: Seamless Delivery of Healthcare Services to Rural Veterans

Background:

o VA healthcare services are available at the Joint VA/DoD Hospital at Elmendorf AFB, an outpatient clinic in Anchorage, two Community Based Outpatient Clinics (CBOC), one in Fairbanks and another in Kenai, and a referral network to the lower 48 states.

o VA psychological healthcare services are available at four Vet Centers (Anchorage, Fairbanks, Kenai, and Wasilla), Domiciliary in Anchorage, Veterans Industries, Compensated Work Therapy program, and outpatient mental health services at main VA clinic in Anchorage and the CBOC in Fairbanks.

o Returning OEF and OIF Veterans are eligible for priority, free healthcare treatment for two years and dental treatment for 90 days post-deployment, after discharge from active duty.

o Statistics reflect that up to 30-35% of returning Veterans will seek at least one psychological health visit within the first year after returning home.

o Unresolved emotional disturbances as a result of a Veteran's combat experience could be extremely detrimental to a small, remote Alaskan community.

o Due to lack of access to a VA facility for healthcare, rural Alaska Native Veterans will probably utilize the Alaska Tribal Health System.

Initiatives:

o Through its participation in the The Alaska Federal Healthcare Partnership (AFHCP), the VA is implementing telemedicine and teleradiology capability at 235 sites around the State and has initiated a multi-year home telehealth monitoring project through

Alaska Native Tribal Healthcare Consortium (ANTHC). The network may assist in providing telehealth in the future.

- o The Tribal Veterans Representative Program was initiated by VA in 2007 to provide training to tribal representatives on VA policy, procedures, eligibility, and rules.

- o Alaska VA has instituted an education program for the Alaska Tribal Health Organizations on VA eligibility and clinical information regarding Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and other Veteran readjustment issues.

- o Since Vet Centers provide critical readjustment counseling services to Veterans and their families, Vet Centers will participate in the provision of outreach services.

- o Assure coordination of access to care by creating flexible case management services that recognize the individual and family needs of veterans. These services or "pathways of care" will provide a link of services that connect rural Alaska with Anchorage and Anchorage with Puget Sound.

- o Work with state and federal agencies; civic organizations, and faith-based agencies to ensure a wide variety of benefits for Alaska Veterans.

- o All agencies will identify key individuals and commit resources to address/work issues.

Goal 2: Home Station Reunion and Reintegration Workshop (HSRRW) for Returning GWOT Veterans to include Post Deployment Health Reassessments. Within 90-180 days of returning from a GWOT mobilization, DMVA will conduct a HSRRW for those Veterans, typically in Anchorage. This workshop will also coincide with the Post-deployment Health Reassessment (PDHRA).

- PDHRA: DMVA will conduct PDHRAs on-site vice a telephone or web-based format. AK VHA will augment the PDHRA team to ensure appointments for follow-up care are made on site and to provide education and instruction to the PDHRA team on issues pertaining to VA referrals and services.

- Workshop: VA will be an integral part of this workshop in providing education on the full spectrum of Veterans' benefits and assisting with processing enrollment applications. Along with DMVA and VA, other participants will include the Alaska Department of Labor and the TRICARE Contractor (TriWest Healthcare Alliance Corporation).

Goal 3: Multi-Disciplinary Mobile Outreach Teams: GWOT Veterans will need continuing transition assistance beyond the HSRRW. Alaska VA will participate with DMVA in multi-disciplinary team visits to remote Alaska for ensuring continued availability of services and the successful reintegration of Veterans into their communities. A Mobile Outreach Team visit will be conducted) within 12 months after a unit's return from a combat zone at their respective Battalion Hqs in Bethel, Nome, or Juneau. Additional outreach visits may be coordinated as required. The AK National Guard will seek to schedule opportune airlift support for Outreach Teams to the maximum extent possible.

Goal 4: Commit to meet regularly to work and address issues:

- This MOU shall be reviewed annually to address any variables, new requirements, and to incorporate the strategic direction and intent of the heads of each participating agency.

- The Community Network Group meets monthly and will service as the action/working body to execute the goals and initiatives outlined in this document. NOTE: Other agencies will be brought in as necessary to work address specific issues/initiatives.

IV. Signatures of Approving Officials:

CRAIG E. CAMPBELL, Maj Gen, AKANG

Commissioner, Department of Military and Veterans Affairs

ALEX SPECTOR

Director

Alaska VA Healthcare System

DOUG WADSWORTH

Director

VBA Service Center

Anchorage Regional Office



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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2007 3:47 PM  
**To:** Smith; Lynne M (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: Public service announcement: Climate change teleconference scheduled

-----Original Message-----

**From:** University Relations [mailto:fydist@uaf.edu]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 07, 2007 4:00 PM  
**To:** fyurel@uaf.edu  
**Subject:** Public service announcement: Climate change teleconference scheduled

**Subject:** Climate change teleconference scheduled

**Start Date:** Sept. 7, 2007

**Stop Date:** Sept. 18, 2007

**Date:** Please announce until 10 a.m. Sept. 18, 2007.

**Details:** James Partain of the National Weather Service will highlight the various impacts of climate change on Alaska's weather during a teleconference Tuesday, Sept. 18th at 10 a.m.

The teleconference is one of several planned on topics related to climate change, impacts and response in Alaska. It is sponsored by the Alaska Center for Climate Assessment and Policy.

For more information about how to participate, visit [www.uaf.edu/news](http://www.uaf.edu/news) and follow the links for registration, or contact Sarah Trainor at (907) 474-7878.

**CONTACT:** Sarah Trainor, ACCAP coordinator, at (907) 474-7878 or

e-mail [fnsft@uaf.edu](mailto:fnsft@uaf.edu).

ON THE WEB: For registration and dial-in instructions, visit  
[www.uaf.edu/accap/teleconference.htm](http://www.uaf.edu/accap/teleconference.htm)

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2007 3:26 PM  
**To:** seaira@mtaonline.net  
**Subject:** RE: Budget

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 09, 2007 5:08 PM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** Budget

Web mail from: william reno

address: hc33 box2984r wasilla AK 99654

907-373-6757

MESSAGE:

hi Sarah, just thought i would send you a note to tell you that you are doing a fine job, just as i knew you would. rnrnhaving said that, i know that dealing with budget cuts, very unpopular at all government levels, are necessary. rni have watched many times in the past where agencies &quot;hide money&quot; so as to use up there allocation so when they ask for the same amount or more at the next budget meeting, it looks like they are in need. rnrn At the next budget meeting, tell all your dept. heads we are going to cut 5% accross the board! you will find that they will whine, but in the end, state business will still run as they always have.rnrni have seen this work first hand, heck, you can cut D.O.T. by more than that. i watch them waste money on a daily basis.rnrnam i being hard on D.O.T.? yes i am. having been on construction jobs throughout this state for 16 years, i have many stories of waste and mismanagement . i don't want to bore you with the details.rnrnanyway,!

thanx for listening to my 2 1/2 cents worth(no pun to the sales tax)rnrn  
TAKE CARErnrnrn Bill Reno

seaira@mtaonline.net

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**From:** Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=EFAGERSTROM]

**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2007 6:33 PM

**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com

**Subject:** Thanks and Football Team

Hello Governor,

If you're up to having the Colony team over after the game- We could order pizzas and make some brownies, plus use up the left overs from the DOA reception. We have 3 boxes of brownie mix and Diane said she could make them Thursday, so they're ready to go. She really loves to bake and do that kind of stuff

Just let me know what you and Molly decide- and we'll make sure it happens! :) If you want, I could just coordinate this with Molly.

Thanks for having us over for dinner, we really enjoyed spending time with you and your family! Your parent's home is definitely an Alaskan treasure!!! It was fun seeing the kids in their own stomping grounds. :)  
Erika

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2007 3:49 PM  
**To:** Smith; Lynne M (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: McGrath City News - September 2007

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**From:** Natalie Baumgartner [mailto:mcgrathcityadmin@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 07, 2007 2:00 PM  
**To:** Mayor Dustin T Parker  
**Subject:** McGrath City News - September 2007

Hello all--- near and far

Attached is the **full-color version** (.pdf) of the September *City News*.

Those of you who receive utility bills from the city will receive a black and white copy in your envelope, but it's always nice to see it in full color.

The .pdf file is also available for download at [www.mcgrathalaska.net](http://www.mcgrathalaska.net) where you can click on the tab on the left side of the page, to see the menu for current and back issues.

And if you are a resident of McGrath, you are encouraged to consider running for one of the 3 open seats on the City Council (2 three year terms and 1 one year remaining on another three year term). The "Declaration of Candidacy" forms are available at the city office. The election will take place on October 2nd.

Have a wonderful weekend! And, good luck to all of you moose hunters!

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2007 2:36 PM  
**To:** Irwin; Tom E (DNR)  
**Subject:** Re: Confidential

Thanks Tom. I hadnt heard anything on reeves in forever. AIDEA either.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Tom Irwin  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin  
**Sent:** Sep 10, 2007 1:25 PM  
**Subject:** Confidential

Governor, I felt bad that you had to ask about Reeves and AIDEA. You should know that I have regularly discussed these with the COS. Also, on the potential land trespass issue, that was to be a simple, personal informational discussion directly by the COS with you before your travel, not by email. I will be more aware to keep you up to date on these things. Tom

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2007 12:20 PM  
**To:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
**Cc:** Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: Tuesday and Wednesday Events -09.11, 09.12

I'd have to cancel Chamber speech on Wed to get up to Fairbanks in time for Eielson event, so that's a no-go .

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

**Date:** Mon, 10 Sep 2007 08:36:04

**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com

**Cc:** "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

**Subject:** Tuesday and Wednesday Events -09.11, 09.12

Governor -

There are two events that just came up for Tuesday, 09.11 and Wednesday, 09.12.07.

Tuesday, Sept. 11 @ 2:00 p.m. - Ft. Richardson National Guard Headquarters, Rm. B-208

MOU Signing between DMVA/Fed. VA Healthcare System/Fed. VA Benefits to help provide increased healthcare to rural Alaskans returning from deployments supporting the Greater War on Terrorism.

NOTE: Beth is working with McHugh Pierre on the MOU wording in the event that you will be attending.

Wednesday, Sept. 12 @ 12:15 p.m. - Eielson Air Force Base

24 Airmen from the 168th Wing of the Alaska Air National Guard are deploying to Afghanistan for 6 months.

NOTE: Governor would be able to stand outside of the plane and shake hands while the airmen boarded.

Please let me know if you will be attending either of these events. Thank you, Janice



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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2007 8:47 AM  
**To:** Leschper; Mary C (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Rutherford; Martha K (DNR); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)  
**Cc:** Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Frank Bailey; Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Stapleton; Meghan N (GOV)  
**Subject:** MatMaid

Kris pls have Kristan do an op-ed thats positive and confirming that new board is doing great job w decisions. And they're still digging in to info.

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**From:** "Leschper, Mary C (GOV)" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>

**Date:** Mon, 10 Sep 2007 07:50:44

**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com

**Cc:** "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>, "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, "Stapleton, Meghan N (GOV)" <meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Track Re: Confidential

We MUST be ready on this one.

We will also need a bio on Track and his friend, including photos.

Beth

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

**Sent:** Mon 9/10/2007 7:47 AM

**To:** Leschper, Mary C (GOV)

**Cc:** Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Frank Bailey; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Stapleton, Meghan N (GOV)

**Subject:** Track Re: Confidential

Also- he's joining through the Buddy Program. His best friend probably doesn't mind the media interest nearly as much as Track does. They enlist together tomorrow if all paper work is in place. They hadn't even realized it's 9-11 tomorrow.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Mon, 10 Sep 2007 15:43:53

To: "Beth Leschper" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Michael A Tibbles" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Kristina Y Perry" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, "Frank Bailey" <ftb907@yahoo.com>, "Sharon W Leighow" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, "Meghan N Stapleton" <meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: Confidential

Good idea. We've already been asked if the military can use this for pr... I may have one of you call Track bc he rolls his eyes when his mom broaches the subject of "media interest". Let me talk to him again and then you may want to get a quote from him.

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From: "Leschper, Mary C (GOV)" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>

Date: Mon, 10 Sep 2007 07:37:23

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>, "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, "Stapleton, Meghan N (GOV)" <meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: Confidential

Sharon:

We need to have a statement ready today so that when the governor wants to comment we'll be ready. This WILL become NATIONAL news and we need to be prepared and proactive. Some military official will use this and we need to be ready sooner rather than later. I'd rather have something in the can that we don't use (in case it doesn't become an issue) than get caught.

Beth

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com <mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com> ]  
Sent: Mon 9/10/2007 7:23 AM  
To: Leschper, Mary C (GOV)  
Cc: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Frank Bailey; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Stapleton, Meghan N (GOV)  
Subject: Confidential

Hi again- another head's up:

If all goes according to (Track's!) plans, he'll be enlisting in the US Army, active duty, tomorrow. He doesn't want any publicity on this, tho it sounds like a Seattle media person already called bc it may be that there aren't many, or any, US Govs who have a son recently enlisting.

I warned him that media may make a little deal out of it, but we don't desire such a thing bc Track is enlisting for the right reasons and he's just anxious to go serve (without any publicity). And I'm proud of him for doing so.

Thanks! And pray for mama's strength through this! :)

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Mon, 10 Sep 2007 15:00:19

To: "Beth Leschper" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Michael A Tibbles" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Kristina Y Perry" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, "Frank Bailey" <ftb907@yahoo.com>, "Sharon W Leighow" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, "Meghan N Stapleton" <meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>

Subject: Wasilla

Beth- there's another ADN letter to the editor that criticizes my "working from home in wasilla" bs... I don't know if you guys are following that misperceived issue that is

growing legs, but we know that when we see where an issue is going (and growing), unless we hustle to counter it and correct the record, then it's only going to get worse.

Sharon told an ADN editor that I, like other Govs, work out of the Anchorage office... he sounded surprised with that news. But he still did the "thumbs down" evaluation in his editorial on Sunday, they ran another letter claiming nonsense again today... this is evidently an issue he's not going to correct so we have to do it ourselves.

Yes, i "work from home" as emails begin usually at 4am and I "work at home" through the night... But we know the true situation of the seven-days-a-week work, most always in Anchorage and of course in Juneau during session.

However Communications folks can help communicate this, pls do so today bc this will only get worse. Pls let me know what you guys can do on this, perhaps it's letters to the editor. Also, pls contact the editor(s) again and let them hear the truth again. Please.

Thank you

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2007 3:32 PM  
**To:** Smith; Lynne M (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: State Chamber 2007 Board Election Notice

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**From:** Wayne Stevens [mailto:wstevens@alaskachamber.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 09, 2007 3:56 PM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** State Chamber 2007 Board Election Notice

## Alaska State Chamber of Commerce 2007 Board Election Notice

Pursuant to the By-Laws of the Alaska State Chamber of Commerce, this will serve as notice of the recommendations of the Board Development Committee for filling seats for the 2007 election. The Board of Directors will vote on this slate of candidates at its upcoming Board meeting on Thursday September 13, 2007. A complete list of Candidates and Seats they are nominated for is attached.

### **Article V - Board of Directors** **Section 8 - Election**

Members of the Board shall be elected by the Board by written ballot. The Board Development Committee shall nominate the total number of elected positions on the Board by its own action. The list of nominees shall be posted on the Chamber web site, [www.alaskachamber.com](http://www.alaskachamber.com)

Additional names of candidates for Directors can be nominated from the floor at the meeting, provided that such nominees indicate their willingness to serve on the Board of Directors, and that they otherwise meet the qualifications for serving on the Board as set forth in these By-laws. Members of the Board Development Committee may not nominate from the floor.

A copy of the BOARD MEMBER NOMINEE CERTIFICATION STATEMENT is attached for any one who may be interested in making a nomination from the floor at the Board meeting.

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**From:** Sarah Palin [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2007 2:55 PM  
**To:** Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Leschper; Mary C (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
**Cc:** ExternalEmailgsp; Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** chamber

Beth:

re-wrote in my words (and code words!), this is still probably a lot longer than what they're expecting tho. so feel free to chop if you need to.

some inconsistencies were edited out according to the new info we received on ACES intent, as revealed in all the edits we did on the ACES op-ed piece the last few days... and Pat and Joe still need to look at this to make sure it's factual bc all those inconsistencies have to have been eliminated in this speech. thanks

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Be a better Heartthrob. Get better relationship answers from someone who knows.  
Yahoo! Answers - Check it out.

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2007 3:55 PM  
**To:** Smith; Lynne M (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: National Research Project to Accelerate Growth of Businesses Owned by Women of Color

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**From:** CFWBR Info [mailto:info@cfwbr.org]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2007 12:44 PM  
**To:** CFWBR Info  
**Subject:** National Research Project to Accelerate Growth of Businesses Owned by Women of Color



Contact: Juanita M.  
Weaver  
Director of Media &  
Strategic Alliances  
Center for Women's  
Business Research  
202-638-3060 x719  
[jweaver@womensbusinessresearch.org](mailto:jweaver@womensbusinessresearch.org)

**Release Date: September 10, 2007**

### **National Research Project to Accelerate Growth of Businesses Owned by Women of Color to Hold Forum in Dallas**

Washington, DC – Dallas has been selected as one of the five cities that are sites for a national research study to identify obstacles to business growth faced by women business owners of color. The day-long research forum, held September 20<sup>th</sup>, will be conducted by the **Center for Women's Business Research** and **Babson College**. The objective is to identify the barriers and challenges that women of color face in the pursuit of business growth and to create individual, community, and ultimately, national action plans to overcome those barriers. The research will culminate in a 2008 national conference where public- and private-sector policy recommendations generated by the research will be announced.

Women-of-color entrepreneurs, who wish to grow their businesses to a higher level and help

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create local and national agendas that support businesses owned by women of color, must apply in advance to participate. Selection criteria include owning a business that is at least 50% women owned with annual revenues between \$250,000 and \$5 million. All types of industries are welcome. Women-of-color entrepreneurs who meet the research criteria and wish to participate should contact the **Center for Women's Business Research** at [www.womensbusinessresearch.org](http://www.womensbusinessresearch.org) or at 202.638.3060 ext. 725.

The Dallas research forum will be held on September 20th at the Westin Dallas Forth Worth Airport Hotel from 9am to 5pm, followed by a reception attended by participants and executives from the corporations and organizations that are sponsoring the initiative.

"As of 2006, there are 2.4 million businesses owned by women of color. They are starting businesses at a faster rate than all businesses but their firms are not achieving the same level of success when measured by revenues and employment," said Sheila Brooks, national spokesperson for this initiative and President and CEO of SRB Productions, Inc. "These businesses have great untapped potential for economic and social impact which can only be realized by clearly identifying their challenges and then developing targeted programs and policies to remove those barriers. The research participants will share their stories, develop personal and business action plans, learn how to grow their businesses from the proven strategies of others, and contribute to setting new community and national agendas that support growth."

*Accelerating the Growth and Success of Businesses Owned by Women of Color* is funded by corporate and association sponsors. The lead 2007 corporate sponsor is Wachovia Bank. They are joined by a prestigious consortium of other 2007 corporate national sponsors, including Wal-Mart Stores/ Sam's Club, Inc.; UPS Capital; Wells Fargo & Company; American Airlines; eWomenNetwork; IBM; MasterCard; Principal Financial Group; Verizon; and city sponsor, Wachovia. The center welcomes Bank of America as our newest Enterprise sponsor.

Leading women business owner organizations and other non-profit organizations are also research sponsors. They are: eWomenNetwork Foundation; Level Playing Field Institute; the National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO); National Women's Business Council (NWBC); Women's Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC); and the Women Presidents' Organization (WPO).

"We are very pleased to participate in this research which will culminate in sharing the experiences and insight of women-of-color entrepreneurs with national policy makers," said Babson College associate professor Donna Stoddard. "We expect this research to create community and national agendas to foster the success of all women-of-color entrepreneurs."

The core of the project is five research forums bringing women of color entrepreneurs together to

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identify key issues. The final forum will be held on January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2008 in Chicago, Illinois. The first three forums were held in San Francisco, California, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and Atlanta, Georgia. Babson College is developing two case studies for this research initiative, which will exemplify the major areas of discussion.

Affiliate organizations that have joined the initiative to date include: America-China International Foundation; Association of Women's Business Centers; CARE; Center for Leadership and Civic Engagement of Spelman College; Georgia Women's Business Council; Women's Business Development Center of Philadelphia; the Women's Leadership Exchange; Dallas/Fort Worth Minority Business Council and Las Comadres.

Corporate and association sponsorships for 2007 and 2008 are still available.

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**Editor's Note:** The following is a sampling of the comments of the participants in the first forums

"I thoroughly enjoyed every minute and expect to use the tools and methods expounded upon. Everyone was great. Carry on! You're doing a wonderful job. Easteller Bruhl, President, Star Reporting Service, Inc.

"I have been raving about the forum to anyone who will listen since I returned. As a woman of color, I felt heard, validated and inspired." Lena West, Founder & CEO, xynoMedia Technology

"I have attended a few 'women's business owners' seminars, meetings, etc. and this was the most valuable one to me... So, thank you again for recognizing the need for this study." Conni Evans, President, ANCON

"As an African American woman and business owner, I found the conference truly enjoyable as well as intellectually stimulating. It was so great to hear women speak about their challenges and others advise on possible solutions." Jacquanette Lewis, Chief Operating Officer, Global Advertising 1<sup>st</sup>, Inc.

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**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** RE: Transportation

This should have gone to Lynne Smith, I forwarded it to her.

Sunny

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2007 11:55 AM  
**To:** CROWSFOOT@PEOPLEPC.COM  
**Subject:** RE: Transportation

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

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**From:** WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]  
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**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** Transportation

Web mail from: Mr. JAMES CROWHURST  
address: 149 GOLDEN OAKS DR MABANK TX 75156  
903-451-5897

MESSAGE:

DEAR SARAH PALINrn  
HELLO MY NAME IS JAMES CROWHURST AND THE MAIN  
REASON I AM E MAING YOU IS THAT I NEED YOUR HELP IN GETTING A BILL PASS IN CONGRESS FOR  
SMALL BUSINESS I HAVE BEEN TRYING TO GET A BUSINESS GRANT AND I WAS TOLD BY THE STATE OF  
TEXAS THAT THEIR WAS NO GRANTS FOR SMALL BUSINESS BUT IN OTHER STATES THAT I HAVE CALLED  
AND E MAILED THEY DO HAVE GRANTS FOR SMALLL BUSINESS I HAVE BEEEN IN CONTACT WITH  
GOVERNOR RICK PERRY AND MY CONGRESSMEN FORM TEXAS ANDI WAS ALOS I HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT

WITH OTHER GOVERNORS OF OTHER STATES WHAT I NEED FROM YOU IS A LETTER FROM YOU SAYING THAT YOU HAVE GRANT PROGRAMS IN YOUR STATE FOR SMALL BUSINESS IF YOU CAN SEND IT TO ME BY MAIL SO WHEN I GO TO CONGRESS I CAN SHOW THEM AND ASK THEM IF THE OTHER STATES HAVE GRANT WHY DO DOSE NOT TEAXS HAVE GRANTS PLEASE HELP ME GET MY GOAL SET THIS MEANS A LOT TO ME AS A BUSINESS OWNERrn HERE IS MY ADDRESS rnJAMES CROWHURST rn149 GOLDEN OAKS DR rnMABANK TEXAS 751!

56-8965rn rn PLEASE HELP ME I NEED THIS TO BE DONE SOON AS YOU READ THIS LETTER

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Goal 3: Multidisciplinary Mobile Outreach Teams

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Goal 1: Seamless Delivery of Healthcare Services to Rural Veterans

- **Background:**

- VA healthcare services are available at the Joint VA/DoD Hospital at Elmendorf AFB, an outpatient clinic in Anchorage, two Community Based Outpatient Clinics (CBOC), one in Fairbanks and another in Kenai, and a referral network to the lower 48 states.
- VA psychological healthcare services are available at four Vet Centers (Anchorage, Fairbanks, Kenai, and Wasilla), Domiciliary in Anchorage, Veterans Industries, Compensated Work Therapy program, and outpatient mental health services at main VA clinic in Anchorage and the CBOC in Fairbanks.
- Returning OEF and OIF Veterans are eligible for priority, free healthcare treatment for two years and dental treatment for 90 days post-deployment, after discharge from active duty.
- Statistics reflect that up to 30-35% of returning Veterans will seek at least one psychological health visit within the first year after returning home.
- Unresolved emotional disturbances as a result of a Veteran's combat experience could be extremely detrimental to a small, remote Alaskan community.
- Due to lack of access to a VA facility for healthcare, rural Alaska Native Veterans will probably utilize the Alaska Tribal Health System.

- **Initiatives:**

- Through its participation in the The Alaska Federal Healthcare Partnership (AFHCP), the VA is implementing telemedicine and teleradiology capability at 235 sites around the State and has initiated a multi-year home telehealth monitoring project through Alaska Native Tribal Healthcare Consortium (ANTHC). The network may assist in providing telehealth in the future.
- The Tribal Veterans Representative Program was initiated by VA in 2007 to provide training to tribal representatives on VA policy, procedures, eligibility, and rules.
- Alaska VA has instituted an education program for the Alaska Tribal Health Organizations on VA eligibility and clinical information regarding Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and other Veteran readjustment issues.
- Since Vet Centers provide critical readjustment counseling services to Veterans and their families, Vet Centers will participate in the provision of outreach services.
- Assure coordination of access to care by creating flexible case management services that recognize the individual and family needs of veterans. These services or "pathways of care" will provide a link of services that connect rural Alaska with Anchorage and Anchorage with Puget Sound.
- Work with state and federal agencies; civic organizations, and faith-based agencies to ensure a wide variety of benefits for Alaska Veterans.
- All agencies will identify key individuals and commit resources to address/work issues.

Goal 2: Home Station Reunion and Reintegration Workshop (HSRRW) for Returning GWOT Veterans to include Post Deployment Health Reassessments. Within 90-180 days of returning from a GWOT mobilization, DMVA will conduct a HSRRW for those Veterans, typically in Anchorage. This workshop will also coincide with the Post-deployment Health Reassessment (PDHRA).

- PDHRA: DMVA will conduct PDHRAs on-site vice a telephone or web-based format. AK VHA will augment the PDHRA team to ensure appointments for follow-up care are made on site and to provide education and instruction to the PDHRA team on issues pertaining to VA referrals and services.
- Workshop: VA will be an integral part of this workshop in providing education on the full spectrum of Veterans' benefits and assisting with processing enrollment applications. Along with DMVA and VA, other participants will include the Alaska Department of Labor and the TRICARE Contractor (TriWest Healthcare Alliance Corporation).

Goal 3: Multi-Disciplinary Mobile Outreach Teams: GWOT Veterans will need continuing transition assistance beyond the HSRRW. Alaska VA will participate with DMVA in multi-disciplinary team visits to remote Alaska for ensuring continued availability of services and the successful reintegration of Veterans into their communities. A Mobile Outreach Team visit will be conducted) within 12 months after a unit's return from a combat zone at their respective Battalion Hqs in Bethel, Nome, or Juneau. Additional outreach visits may be coordinated as required. The AK National Guard will seek to schedule opportune airlift support for Outreach Teams to the maximum extent possible.

Goal 4: Commit to meet regularly to work and address issues:

- This MOU shall be reviewed annually to address any variables, new requirements, and to incorporate the strategic direction and intent of the heads of each participating agency.
- The Community Network Group meets monthly and will service as the action/working body to execute the goals and initiatives outlined in this document. NOTE: Other agencies will be brought in as necessary to work address specific issues/initiatives.

#### **IV. Signatures of Approving Officials:**

CRAIG E. CAMPBELL, Maj Gen, AKANG  
Commissioner, Department of Military and Veterans Affairs

ALEX SPECTOR  
Director  
Alaska VA Healthcare System

DOUG WADSWORTH  
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Frank  
Director, Boards and Commissions  
Office of Governor Sarah Palin  
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**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2007 9:38 AM  
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Leschper, Mary C (GOV)  
**Cc:** 'Frank Bailey'; 'Todd Palin'; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** RE: Anchorage office

Governor, the figures are state expenditures only. The Inaugural Committee reimbursed us for additional expenses relating to the inaugural balls that the state would not have paid for -- the total reimbursement was \$4,007.20.

I do not have the records for other money spent by the Inaugural Committee or money spent by the Palin family.

Linda

-----Original Message-----

**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 09, 2007 10:23 AM  
**To:** Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Perez, Linda J (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Leschper, Mary C (GOV)  
**Cc:** Frank Bailey; Todd Palin; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: Anchorage office

Linda: Do these figures account for the Inaugural Committee and Palin family paying for travels?

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**From:** "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

**Date:** Sun, 09 Sep 2007 09:27:54

**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Perez, Linda J (GOV)" <linda.perez@alaska.gov>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, "Leschper, Mary C (GOV)" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>

**Cc:** Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>, Todd Palin <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>, "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>

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I'll have a copy printed for you in the office tomorrow.

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Very preliminary information relating to prior administrations comparisons... we are still working through documents to sort out the travel information, including the public safety billings for flight charges. The preliminary travel costs reflected here are for per diem reimbursements and commercial transportation expenditures only.

Governor Palin days out of Juneau since taking office through 9/4/2007 are 173.

The commercial transportation, lodging and per diem paid in conjunction with this travel is \$28,446.46 \*\*NOTE: does not yet include public safety charges for any King Air Travel.

Governor Murkowski's comparable timeframe comparison:

Days out of Juneau from taking office through 8/24/2003 was 124.

The commercial transportation, lodging and per diem paid in conjunction with this travel was \$18,553.32 \*\*NOTE: no public safety charges yet included.. Governor Murkowski only had two trips with commercial airfare costs within this timeframe. There will be considerably more costs when the flight logs and billings are calculated.

Prior administrations annual travel by calendar year without the public safety billing information:

Gov. Murkowski

Additional	2003 travel	70 days out of Juneau	\$17,571.16 cost
2004		178 days out of Juneau	\$29,213.13 cost
2005		202 days out of Juneau	\$44,607.74 cost
2006		193 days out of Juneau	\$52,065.79

Additionally, Governor's Office maintained an apartment in Anchorage for Governor Murkowski from May 2005 through November 2006 at a rental rate of \$900.00 per month.

Gov. Knowles (Days out of Juneau estimates only based on reported per diem - travel documents have been destroyed. Travel information from annual travel reports.)

King Air billing	1999	80 days out of Juneau	\$57,392 WITH
King Air billing	2000	152 days out of Juneau	\$89,578 WITH
King Air	2001	163 days out of Juneau	\$55,490 WITHOUT
King Air	2002	148 days out of Juneau	\$28,876 WITHOUT

Additional items:

First Gentleman's travel costs from 12/06 through 6/3/2007 totals \$7,344

Governor has declined First Family per diem reimbursements to date of \$1,982

Mrs. Murkowski's travel costs:

2002	\$1,860
2003	\$29,608
2004	\$13,607
2005	\$43,659
2006	\$35,675

Additional cost savings to Governor's Office budget:

Reduction in security detail	\$25,000 savings
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determined Additional savings due to use of King Air over West Wind still to be

Additional cost savings to Governor's House budget:

Chef to seasonal position	\$40,079 savings
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House expenses 5/07 - 8/07 period in 2006 )	\$ 4,229 (food, etc. purchases as compared to same period in 2006 )
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administrations.

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How close are we to having the numbers showing #of days former Gov(s) spent out of Juneau compared to my travels/housing expenses? The public deserves clarity on this as the misperception is I'm "living and working" in the Valley. If, as Security and administrators tell me, Murk and Knowles also worked out of the Anchorage office and spent many, many days out of Juneau - then the fair comparison needs to be made and presented. The other missing point in the coverage of this issue is that the Anchorage office is the workplace.

When I requested this info a couple of weeks ago I wasn't sure who was heading it up - please let me know as soon as possible who is and what the progress is. Thanks

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- VA healthcare services are available at the Joint VA/DoD Hospital at Elmendorf AFB, an outpatient clinic in Anchorage, two Community Based Outpatient Clinics (CBOC), one in Fairbanks and another in Kenai, and a referral network to the lower 48 states.
- VA psychological healthcare services are available at four Vet Centers (Anchorage, Fairbanks, Kenai, and Wasilla), Domiciliary in Anchorage, Veterans Industries, Compensated Work Therapy program, and outpatient mental health services at main VA clinic in Anchorage and the CBOC in Fairbanks.
- Returning OEF and OIF Veterans are eligible for priority, free healthcare treatment for two years and dental treatment for 90 days post-deployment, after discharge from active duty.
- Statistics reflect that up to 30-35% of returning Veterans will seek at least one psychological health visit within the first year after returning home.
- Unresolved emotional disturbances as a result of a Veteran's combat experience could be extremely detrimental to a small, remote Alaskan community.
- Due to lack of access to a VA facility for healthcare, rural Alaska Native Veterans will probably utilize the Alaska Tribal Health System.

- **Initiatives:**

- Through it's participation in the The Alaska Federal Healthcare Partnership (AFHCP), the VA is implementing telemedicine and teleradiology capability at 235 sites around the State and has initiated a multi-year home telehealth monitoring project through Alaska Native Tribal Healthcare Consortium (ANTHC). The network may assist in providing telehealth in the future.
- The Tribal Veterans Representative Program was initiated by VA in 2007 to provide training to tribal representatives on VA policy, procedures, eligibility, and rules.
- Alaska VA has instituted an education program for the Alaska Tribal Health Organizations on VA eligibility and clinical information regarding Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and other Veteran readjustment issues.
- Since Vet Centers provide critical readjustment counseling services to Veterans and their families, Vet Centers will participate in the provision of outreach services.
- Assure coordination of access to care by creating flexible case management services that recognize the individual and family needs of veterans. These services or "pathways of care" will provide a link of services that connect rural Alaska with Anchorage and Anchorage with Puget Sound.
- Work with state and federal agencies; civic organizations, and faith-based agencies to ensure a wide variety of benefits for Alaska Veterans.
- All agencies will identify key individuals and commit resources to address/work issues.

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Goal 2: Home Station Reunion and Reintegration Workshop (HSRRW) for Returning GWOT Veterans to include Post Deployment Health Reassessments. Within 90-180 days of returning from a GWOT mobilization, DMVA will conduct a HSRRW for those Veterans, typically in Anchorage. This workshop will also coincide with the Post-deployment Health Reassessment (PDHRA).

- PDHRA: DMVA will conduct PDHRAs on-site vice a telephone or web-based format. AK VHA will augment the PDHRA team to ensure appointments for follow-up care are made on site and to provide education and instruction to the PDHRA team on issues pertaining to VA referrals and services.
- Workshop: VA will be an integral part of this workshop in providing education on the full spectrum of Veterans' benefits and assisting with processing enrollment applications. Along with DMVA and VA, other participants will include the Alaska Department of Labor and the TRICARE Contractor (TriWest Healthcare Alliance Corporation).

Goal 3: Multi-Disciplinary Mobile Outreach Teams: GWOT Veterans will need continuing transition assistance beyond the HSRRW. Alaska VA will participate with DMVA in multi-disciplinary team visits to remote Alaska for ensuring continued availability of services and the successful reintegration of Veterans into their communities. A Mobile Outreach Team visit will be conducted within 12 months after a unit's return from a combat zone at their respective Battalion Hqs in Bethel, Nome, or Juneau. Additional outreach visits may be coordinated as required. The AK National Guard will seek to schedule opportune airlift support for Outreach Teams to the maximum extent possible.

Goal 4: Commit to meet regularly to work and address issues:

- This MOU shall be reviewed annually to address any variables, new requirements, and to incorporate the strategic direction and intent of the heads of each participating agency.
- The Community Network Group meets monthly and will service as the action/working body to execute the goals and initiatives outlined in this document. NOTE: Other agencies will be brought in as necessary to work address specific issues/initiatives.

#### **IV. Signatures of Approving Officials:**

CRAIG E. CAMPBELL, Maj Gen, AKANG  
Commissioner, Department of Military and Veterans Affairs

ALEX SPECTOR  
Director  
Alaska VA Healthcare System

DOUG WADSWORTH  
Director  
VBA Service Center  
Anchorage Regional Office

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**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2007 4:56 PM  
**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** MOU Signing - Tues., 09.11

Governor -

I just faxed up one of the copies of the letter on the phone wire. Both letters were the same, just addressed to different support staff.

Here is the attached MOU. I will also cut and paste into the body of this email in case it won't open on the blackberry. I have listed it on your calendar as FYI just in case you do decide to stop by for it. Thank you, Janice

### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

Alaska Veterans Affairs (VA) Healthcare System and Regional Office (AVAHSRO)

Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Anchorage Regional Office

and

The Alaska Department

### Attachments:

Final MOU.doc (5999 Bytes)

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**From:** Smith, Lynne M (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=LMSMITH1]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2007 4:06 PM  
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
**Subject:** FW: Proposed letter for governor, re: student loans

Governor,

Mike Tibbles asked me to forward the attached proposed letter from the DC office drafted by John Katz, Diane Barrans, and Larry Persily for your consideration.

It relates to the proposed federal rules covering the relationship between lenders and colleges and universities that could hurt the ability of the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education to provide the best services and lowest-cost loans to Alaska students (an unintended consequence of the federal crackdown on sweetheart deals between some lenders and some schools) which is exactly what the commission is told to do under state law.

Lynne

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**From:** Perez, Linda J (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=LJPerez]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2007 9:38 AM  
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Leschper; Mary C (GOV)  
**Cc:** 'Frank Bailey'; 'Todd Palin'; Nizich; Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** RE: Anchorage office

Governor, the figures are state expenditures only. The Inaugural Committee reimbursed us for additional expenses relating to the inaugural balls that the state would not have paid for -- the total reimbursement was \$4,007.20.

I do not have the records for other money spent by the Inaugural Committee or money spent by the Palin family.

Linda

-----Original Message-----

**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 09, 2007 10:23 AM  
**To:** Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Perez, Linda J (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Leschper, Mary C (GOV)  
**Cc:** Frank Bailey; Todd Palin; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: Anchorage office

Linda: Do these figures account for the Inaugural Committee and Palin family paying for travels?

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**From:** "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>  
  
**Date:** Sun, 09 Sep 2007 09:27:54  
**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Perez, Linda J (GOV)" <linda.perez@alaska.gov>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, "Leschper, Mary C (GOV)" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>  
**Cc:** Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>, Todd Palin <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>, "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Anchorage office

I'll have a copy printed for you in the office tomorrow.

9-07-07

Very preliminary information relating to prior administrations comparisons... we are still working through documents to sort out the travel information, including the public safety billings for flight charges. The preliminary travel costs reflected here are for per diem reimbursements and commercial transportation expenditures only.

Governor Palin days out of Juneau since taking office through 9/4/2007 are 173.

The commercial transportation, lodging and per diem paid in conjunction with this travel is \$28,446.46 \*\*NOTE: does not yet include public safety charges for any King Air Travel.

Governor Murkowski's comparable timeframe comparison:

Days out of Juneau from taking office through 8/24/2003 was 124.

The commercial transportation, lodging and per diem paid in conjunction with this travel was \$18,553.32 \*\*NOTE: no public safety charges yet included.. Governor Murkowski only had two trips with commercial airfare costs within this timeframe. There will be considerably more costs when the flight logs and billings are calculated.

Prior administrations annual travel by calendar year without the public safety billing information:

Gov. Murkowski

Additional	2003 travel	70 days out of Juneau	\$17,571.16 cost
2004		178 days out of Juneau	\$29,213.13 cost
2005		202 days out of Juneau	\$44,607.74 cost
2006		193 days out of Juneau	\$52,065.79

Additionally, Governor's Office maintained an apartment in Anchorage for Governor Murkowski from May 2005 through November 2006 at a rental rate of \$900.00 per month.

Gov. Knowles (Days out of Juneau estimates only based on reported per diem - travel documents have been destroyed. Travel information from annual travel reports.)

King Air billing	1999	80 days out of Juneau	\$57,392 WITH
King Air billing	2000	152 days out of Juneau	\$89,578 WITH
King Air	2001	163 days out of Juneau	\$55,490 WITHOUT
King Air	2002	148 days out of Juneau	\$28,876 WITHOUT

Additional items:

First Gentleman's travel costs from 12/06 through 6/3/2007 totals \$7,344

Governor has declined First Family per diem reimbursements to date of \$1,982

Mrs. Murkowski's travel costs:

2002	\$1,860
2003	\$29,608
2004	\$13,607
2005	\$43,659
2006	\$35,675

Additional cost savings to Governor's Office budget:

Reduction in security detail	\$25,000 savings
Additional savings due to use of King Air over West Wind still to be determined	

Additional cost savings to Governor's House budget:

Chef to seasonal position	\$40,079 savings
House expenses 5/07 - 8/07 period in 2006 )	\$ 4,229 (food, etc. purchases as compared to same period in 2006 )

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Sun 9/9/2007 9:07 AM  
To: Perez, Linda J (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Leschper, Mary C (GOV)  
Cc: Frank Bailey; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Todd Palin; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)  
Subject: Re: Anchorage office

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From: "Perez, Linda J (GOV)" <linda.perez@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 07 Sep 2007 17:33:57

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, "Leschper, Mary C (GOV)" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>

Cc: Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>, "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, Todd Palin <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>, "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: Anchorage office

Good evening Governor,

I've attached very PRELIMINARY information regarding our current costs as compared to prior administrations as requested in prior emails. We are still working through travel documents and will need to go through flight logs and public safety billings to obtain complete information. I hope to provide the full scenario by mid-week. We will also provide more detailed travel scenarios specific to Anchorage travel and costs that I believe will provide a more accurate comparison between the



administrations.

I apologize again for the delay Governor, but we still have a significant amount of documents to work through.

If you think of any additional area of comparison, please let me know.

Thank you,

Linda

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com <mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com> ]

Sent: Friday, September 07, 2007 7:31 AM

To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Perez, Linda J (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Leschper, Mary C (GOV); Perez, Linda J (GOV)

Cc: Frank Bailey; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Todd Palin

Subject: Anchorage office

How close are we to having the numbers showing #of days former Gov(s) spent out of Juneau compared to my travels/housing expenses? The public deserves clarity on this as the misperception is I'm "living and working" in the Valley. If, as Security and administrators tell me, Murk and Knowles also worked out of the Anchorage office and spent many, many days out of Juneau - then the fair comparison needs to be made and presented. The other missing point in the coverage of this issue is that the Anchorage office is the workplace.

When I requested this info a couple of weeks ago I wasn't sure who was heading it up - please let me know as soon as possible who is and what the progress is. Thanks

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**From:** John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2007 4:54 AM  
**To:** Sarah (GOV sponsored) Palin; Joseph R (GOV) Balash; gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Cc:** Michael A (GOV) Tibbles  
**Subject:** Re: FW: Protect Governor Palin

Joe, I will leave this to you and the Governor unless you want my participation.

On the theory that the Governor's office is not equipped to respond to Chuck's specific comments and questions, I have been trying to steer him to the appropriate Federal and State regulators. In my opinion, DNR is handling all of this in a competent manner, including their responses and proposed responses to Mr. Hamel.

However, I am also aware that perception becomes reality. So, I've been watching the interaction between Hamel and the State very closely. I want to make sure that Congressmen Dingell and Miller, along with other interested members of Congress, have sufficient facts to gain an accurate perception of what is happening.

Please note that my email address has changed. My new email address is [jwkatz@alaskadc.org](mailto:jwkatz@alaskadc.org). Thank you .

>>> On 9/7/2007 at 9:58 PM, in message  
<4B8A5A1B956F474E82FCEFA159230B8D4BD62E@SOAJNUMSG03.soa.alaska.gov>,  
"Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov> wrote:

FYI.

We can discuss the details on Monday or as your schedule permits.

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**From:** HamelChuck@cs.com [mailto:HamelChuck@cs.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 07, 2007 12:22 PM  
**To:** Katz, John W (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV)  
**Subject:** Protect Governor Palin

I believe it is your mutual responsibility to warn Governor Palin that the most concerned techs at Alyeska and Prudhoe consider the Petroleum Systems Integrity Office as nothing more than bureaucratic rhetoric and intend to pass on their perceptions to the interested parties in DC to achieve safety in their workplace and protection for the integrity of their facilities.

since I have no direct personal communications link to Governor Palin, except first class mail, I believe it is your separate or joint responsibility that she is not blind-sided from Washington and relevant media releases, regarding perceptions of in-effective State oversight of Alyeska and Prudhoe.

As Governor Palin is well aware, I have special respect for her and desire that she is aware of the conduct by those who officially represent her.  
Thanks,  
Chuck

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